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FOR DEPUTY UNDERSECRETARY FOR MANAGEMENT FROM CHIEF OF MISSION

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AODE
SUBJECT: MODE - EVALUATION OF PERSONNEL LEVELS BY CHIEF OF
MISSION

REF: (A) STATE 66110; (B) 77 DAMASCUS 7273; (C) 77 STATE
277164; (D) 77 DAMASCUS 5766

1. I HAVE AGAIN CONSULTED SENIOR AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES
REGARDING MODE RECOMMENDATIONS AND HAVE THE FOLLOWING
AMENDMENTS TO MAKE TO THOSE CONTAINED IN DAMASCUS REFTELS.

A) STATE

I SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION IN THIS YEAR'S CONSULAR
PACKAGE FOR ONE ADDITIONAL LOCAL POSITION IN FY 1979 AND
CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DAS PERSONNEL
OFFICER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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I CONCUR IN THE DATT'S RECENT ESTIMATE THAT THE IDEAL
MANNING FOR USDAO DAMASCUS GIVEN CURRENT ATTITUDE AND
RESTRICTIONS OF SYRIAN GOVERNMENT IS: 0-6 ARMY DATT,
0-4 ASST. ARMA, E-6/7 ARMY NCO AND A LOCAL HIRE US
DEPENDENT SECRETARY.

C) USIS

I RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING STAFFING FOR USIS
DAMASCUS: 3 US OFFICER PERSONNEL (APPROVED); ONE US
FSS-1 (ADMIN) (APPROVED); ONE US FSS-L (SECRETARY)
(REQUESTED); 12 LOCAL POSITIONS (10 APPROVED AND 2
REQUESTED--ONE EACH TO SUPPORT EXPANDING INFORMATIONAL
AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS).

D) USAID

I HAVE APPROVED USAID DIRECT HIRE CEILINGS AS FOLLOWS:

FY 1978 19 AMERICAN 29 LOCAL
FY 1979 21 AMERICAN 32 LOCAL

THESE ARE IN MY JUDGMENT THE MINIMUM NECESSARY STAFFING
REQUIREMENTS TO HANDLE ONGOING PROGRAM INCLUDING \$90
MILLION FY 1978 APPROPRIATION AND \$90 MILLION FY 79 REQUEST.

E) AGATT

THE REGIONAL ARLICULTURAL ATTACHE HAS REQUESTED
WITH MY CONCURRENCE THE ADDITION OF ONE LOCAL POSITION
TO THE CURRENT APPROVED CEILING OF ONE AMERICAN
AND ONE LOCAL SECRETARY. THE ADDITION OF A LOCAL
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PROFESSIONAL WOULD INCREASE THE OFFICE'S DATA COLLECTION
CAPABILITIES AND WOULD PERMIT MORE SATISFACTORY
PERFORMANCE OF THE ATTACHE'S REGIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES
BY PROVIDING COMPETENT COVERAGE OF HIS OFFICE DURING
HIS ABSENCES.
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